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JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE

1. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO PROCEED WITH THE RICE AIRLIFT FROM BATTAMBANG TO PHNOM PENH UNTIL RPT UNTIL THE ARRIVAL OF THE NEXT 17,500 TONS OF RICE PROGRAMMED OR UNTIL ALL 3,000 TONS DELIVERED FROM BATTAMBANG, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. WE ASSUME THAT ARRIVAL OF 17,500 MT WILL REFURBISH RESERVES AND OBIVATE NECESSITY FOR CONTINUED AIRLIFT WHICH COULD BE RENEWED IF NECESSARY.
2. MEANWHILE, BANGKOK AND SAIGON ARE REQUESTED TO CONTINUE TO DO UTMOST TO OBTAIN SHIPPING SOONEST. SAIGON IS HERE- WITH AUTHORIZED BY AID/W, SUBJECT TO PHNOM PENH'S VIEWS, TO CHARTER NECESSARY VESSELS AS REQUIRED.
3. REQUEST YOUR FURTHER ANALYSIS OF FANK CAPBILITY TO UNDERTAKE A SERIOUS EFFORT TO OPEN ROUTE 5 TO CONVOY TRAFFIC. EVEN IF IT WERE KEPT OPEN FOR A SHORT TIME, THIS WOULD HELP, PARTICULARLY SINCE THE GKR CAN GO AHEAD AND MOVE THE RICE TO KG CHHANG BY ROAD AT THIS TIME.
4. FOR CINCPAC: CONTINGENCY PREPARATIONS SHOULD ALSO BE MADE FOR THE USE OF US MOBILITY TEAMS ON A STRICTLY REQUIRED BASIS AS REQUESTED IN REF C, AND SUBJECT TO YOUR FINDING OF AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL OF RISK. IF EXECUTION IS AUTHORIZED, USE OF THE MOBILITY TEAMS IS APPROVED PROVIDING THEY ARE REMOVED FROM CAMBODIA AT THE COMPLETION OF THE AIRLIFT OPERATION EACH DAY. KISSINGER

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